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POSSIBLE SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING IN TOKYO --

JAPANESE MINISTER OHTAKA TOLD AMB SCHAUFLELE THAT BECAUSE OF "INCREASING TALK" IN NY ABOUT POSSIBLE SC MEETING IN TOKYO (JAPAN WILL BE SC PRES IN AUGUST), JMUN ASKED TOKYO FOR DEFINITE DECISION ASAP. EARLIER, JAPANESE COUNSELOR IGUCHI TOLD POLCOUNS HOWISON JAPANESE UN MISSION HAD GIVEN MUCH THOUGHT TO POSSIBLE AGENDA FOR TOKYO MEETING WITH VIEW TO PRODUCING SCENARIO THAT WOULD AVOID DANGERS AND PRESENT DOMESTIC POLITICAL PLUSES FOR GOJ. HE SAID STAFF WAS CONCERNED LEST JAPAN AND US "VOTE AGAINST EACH OTHER," STRESSED THAT ANY POWER CASTING VETO IN TOKYO WOULD ANTAGONIZE JAPANESE PUBLIC, AND ARGUED THAT JAPANESE OFFICIALS WOULD ATTEMPT TO USE MEETING TO ENHANCE JAPANESE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN WORTH OF UN. HOWISON EMPHASIZED THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO AVOID SURPRISES IN SC AND AMERICAN PUBLIC WOULD BE SENSITIVE TO ANY DEPARTURES BY SC FROM RELATIVELY SERIOUS AND CONSTRUCTIVE STANDARDS OBSERVED SINCE LATE 1973. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 405)

PUERTO RICO IN COMITE OF 24 --

AMB BENNETT REITERATED TO COMITE OF 24 CHAIRMAN SALIM (TANZANIA) US OPPOSITION TO CONTINUED COMITE INVOLVEMENT IN PUERTO RICAN ISSUE AND URGED SALIM TO DO HIS BEST TO DOWNPLAY IT, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF NEW CUBAN MEMBERSHIP ON COMITE. SALIM SAID HE HAD DONE HIS BEST IN 1974 TO BURY ISSUE, COMITE AGREED ONLY TO GIVE IT "PRIORITY" IN 1975, AND HE WAS UNAWARE WHETHER CUBANS PLANNED PRESS FOR EARLY CONSIDERATION OF ISSUE. (AUSTRALIANS DISCLOSED CUBANS HAD NOT MENTIONED PUERTO RICO IN INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS ON COMITE'S WORK SCHEDULE.) SALIM ADMITTED INDEPENDENTISTAS UNABLE WIN ELECTION AND MAJORITY OF PUERTO RICANS NOT NOW INTERESTED IN INDEPENDENCE. HOWEVER, HE SAID, MANY UN MEMBERS UNAWARE OF ACTUAL CONDITIONS IN PUERTO RICO AND DO NOT FEEL BOUND BY RES PASSED IN 1953 BEFORE THEY WERE MEMBERS. HE HINTED
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THAT ONLY WAY TO REMOVE PROBLEM FROM UN CONTEXT WOULD BE FOR US TO INVITE "UN TEAM" TO PUERTO RICO TO OBSERVE ELECTION AND TEAM WOULD THEN RECOMMEND IN ITS REPORT THAT PUERTO RICO BE CONSIDERED "SELF-GOVERNING."
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UNDP RELATIONSHIPS WITH FNLA, MPLA, UNITA AND ANGOLA --

ACCORDING TO SAUNDERS (DEPUTY TO UNDP ASST ADMINISTRATOR FOR AFRICA), UNDP IS PRESENTLY ATTEMPTING TO: "DIS-ENTANGLE" THREE OR FOUR PATHS THEY HAD EARLIER PLANNED EMBARK ON IN CONNECTION WITH ANGOLA; CLARIFY CONFLICTING REPORTS; DETERMINE AND ATTEMPT TO STAY IN STEP WITH BOTH OAU AND UNHCR RE COORDINATION AND WHEN AND HOW EACH WILL ATTEMPT TO ASSIST FNLA-MPLA-UNITA AND EVENTUALLY ANGOLA; SCHEDULE SECOND ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS WITH GOP OFFICIALS; SELECT UNDP RESREP DESIGNEE FOR ANGOLA WHO WOULD LIKELY ALSO BE SYG SPECIAL REP; AND HAVE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES BEGIN TO SPLIT UP INTO NATIONAL COMPONENTS (GUINEA BISSAU, MOZAMBIQUE, ETC.) THEIR UNDP-FINANCED NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT UMBRELLA PROJECTS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- OURTEL 402)

EXPERT GROUP ON DRAFT CONVENTION ON TERRITORIAL ASYLUM --

THUS FAR REGIONAL GROUPS HAVE DESIGNATED FOLLOWING CANDIDATES FOR EXPERT GROUP ON DRAFT CONVENTION ON TERRITORIAL ASYLUM: AFRICANS -- KENYA, SUDDAN, ZAIRE (FOR SIX SEATS); ASIANS -- BANGLADESH, INDIA, INDONESIA (FOR FIVE SEATS); EE'S -- USSR, YUGOSLAVIA (THREE SEATS); WEO'S -- AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, BELGIUM, FRANCE, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, SWEDEN, UK, US (NINE CANDIDATES FOR EIGHT SEATS). UKDEL SUGGESTED TO SECRETARIAT AND HCR LIAISON OFFICER THAT REGIONAL GROUPS BE GIVEN DEADLINE BY WHICH TO SUBMIT CANDIDATES, AFTER WHICH ALL CANDIDATES UP TO 27 WOULD BE ACCEPTED AND NO MORE (THUS NINTH WEO COULD TAKE ANY UNFILLED VACANCY). SECRETARIAT RECOGNIZES DEADLINE MAY EVENTUALLY BE NECESSARY SINCE WORKING GROUP IS TO MEET BEFORE END OF MAY BUT WISHES TO GIVE REGIONAL GROUP CHAIRMEN MORE TIME. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- CONFIDENTIAL

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COMITE OF 24 --

CHAIRMAN SALIM (TANZANIA) ANNOUNCED IN COMITE FEB. 6 THAT VISITING MISSION TO CAPE VERDE ISLANDS, AT INVITATION PORTUGAL/PAIGC, WAS EXPECTED BY END OF FEBRUARY. HE SUGGESTED MISSION BE COMPOSED OF REPS OF ALL REGIONAL GROUPS AND ASKED COMITE MEMBERS TO TAKE PART IN CONSULTATIONS ON COMPOSITION OF MISSION. (UNDP REP MAY BE INVITED TO ACCOMPANY MISSION BECAUSE OF REPORTS OF ECONOMIC CRISIS IN CAPE VERDE.) COMITE ALSO ACCEPTED PORTUGUESE INVITATION TO HOLD MEETING "SOON" IN LISBON. (OURTEL 407) SALIM

REPORTED ON HIS PARTICIPATION IN OAU COORDINATING COMITE FOR LIBERATION OF AFRICA IN DAR ES SALAAM. COMITE ALSO BEGAN DISCUSSION OF ORGANIZATION OF WORK AND WILL CONTINUE IT AT NEXT MEETING FEB. 10.

CUBAN REP ALARCON QUESADA SUGGESTED ELABORATING MEASURES FOR GA TO COMMEMORATE 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF DECOLONIZATION DECLARATION, AND SAID HE WAS THINKING OF NEED TO DISSEMINATE INFO AND MOBILIZE PUBLIC OPINION, PARTICULARLY IN COUNTRIES ADMINISTERING DEPENDENT TERRITORIES. CAMPBELL (AUSTRALIA) SUGGESTED HOLDING MEETING IN SOUTHERN AFRICA IN SECOND QUARTER OF YEAR AND THAT SC BE PROMPTED TO MEET AGAIN ON ISSUE. HE ALSO REMARKED INTER ALIA THAT GREAT POWER RIVALRY COMPLICATED QUESTION OF DECOLONIZATION. VIEWS WERE ALSO EXPRESSED BY REPS OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, IRAQ, YUGOSLAVIA AND IVORY COAST. SEVERAL SPEAKERS MENTIONED DESIRABILITY OF COMITE COMPLETING ITS WORK BEFORE GA MEETS IN SEPTEMBER.

ECOSOC WORKING GROUP ON COUNCIL PROCEDURES --

AD HOC WORKING GROUP ON ECOSOC RULES OF PROCEDURE CONCLUDED ONE-WEEK SESSION JAN. 31, AFTER DEBATING RULES 1-40. SECRETARIAT WILL REPUBLISH ARTICLES INCORPORATING AGREED CHANGES AND BRACKETING SUGGESTED BUT UNAGREED LANGUAGE, AND WORKING GROUP WILL RESUME WORK MARCH 3. CONFIDENTIAL

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ONLY SOME 12 DELS ATTENDED SESSION REGULARLY, AND OF THOSE THREE OR FOUR DOMINATED DEBATE. INTERVENTIONS OF SOVIETS, WHO WERE MOST ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS, WERE LENGTHY, USUALLY NOT INVOLVING SUBSTANTIVE POINT BUT TAKING CONSERVATIVE LINE THAT EXISTING TEXT WAS BETTER THAN NEW SECRETARIAT-PROPOSED DRAFT. (OURTEL 393)

THREAT TO PERUVIAN UN MISSION --

PERUVIAN MISSION REPORTED RECEIVING THREATENING PHONE CALL FEB. 6 FROM INDIVIDUAL URGING AMB PEREZ DE CUELLAR TO RELINQUISH HIS POST, "OTHERWISE SOMETHING WILL HAPPEN TO HIM, MEMBERS OF HIS MISSION, OR HIS FAMILY." ANOTHER PHONE CALL PROTESTED AGAINST POLICY OF PERUVIAN GOVT WITH REGARD TO STRIKING POLICE OFFICERS. (OURTEL 406)

WORLD FOOD COUNCIL --

REPS OF MEMBER GOVTS OF WORLD FOOD COUNCIL WILL MEET INFORMALLY IN NEW YORK FEB. 24-25, UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF ECOSOC PRES AKHUND (PAKISTAN), TO DISCUSS SCHEDULING, AGENDA, AND WORK PROGRAM FOR COUNCIL MEETING. (OURTELS

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